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David's Victory

MRS. F. M. RENNER

He trod the rugged journey fearlessly,
For what lay just ahead He could not know;
What test of courage, yea, what valor great,
He should display alike to friend and foe.

Goliath's words of cool defiance rang
Within the heart of David, and he said,
"Who is this man that he should thus defy
God's army great, and bring dismay and dread?"

A pebble small, hurled in Jehovah's name,
Won victory for David on that day.
Goliath fell, his mighty army fled;
The God whom David served had made a way.

"For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith," 1 John 5:4.

NOTICES

From the Field

Changes of addresses of ministers and workers:

G. L. Geren, evangelist—212 E. 27th St., Cleveland, Tenn.
Rev. D. L. Barrett—Steprock, Ark.
T. E. Whittemore—Box 66, Whittier, N. C.

Anyone having old Evangelists, Lighted Pathways and tracts, if you will please send them to me I can make good use of them and you will be doing a good deed. Send them to John E. Connatser, Box 1144, Panama City, Fla.

Obituaries

TIMMS

Our father, Jim Timms, went to be with Jesus Sept. 19, 1941. We miss him but expect to meet him in heaven.—His brokenhearted daughter, Minnie Bright, Rt. 1, Ramhurst, Ga.

WHITLING

Sister Evelyn Whitling, a faithful member of the Church of God at Ranger, Tex., departed this life Sept. 11, 1941.—Mrs. Geo. Cazee, Rt. 2, Ranger, Tex.

CARPENTER

Mrs. Edith Carpenter, a member of the Church of God, was born Oct. 15, 1880, and departed this life Oct. 6, 1941; age sixty years, eleven months and twenty-two days.—Her pastor, Rev. A. L. Smith, Manns Choice, Pa.

ELLER

In loving memory of our darling son and brother, Joe Alvin, who departed this life Oct. 12, 1940, one year ago today. He was only fourteen hours old.—Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Eller and daughter, Virginia, Cleveland, Tenn.

WILKINS

Brother Earl Wilkins, East St. Louis, Ill., went home to be with Jesus June 29, 1941.—Isabel Wachter, East St. Louis, Ill.

HOLT

Sister May Holt, a member of the Church of God at River View, and an active worker in the church and Sunday school, went to be with Jesus Oct. 17, 1941. Thanks for your prayers during her illness. Please remember her loved ones in prayer.—Mrs. Mamie Larley, clerk, Star Rt. South, Forrest City, Ark.

BASSETT

Little Paul Bassett, son of Brother and Sister Oscar Bassett, departed this life to be with Jesus; age two years, seven months and nineteen days. Pray much for his family, they are faithful members of the Church of God at Rocky Hill, Miss.—Brother and Sister Kendall, pastor.



A Voluntary Pledge

"I find that there is great interest and enthusiasm everywhere I boost the Evangel. I pledge to you, for myself and the ministerial corps of this state, whole-hearted support and cooperation, not only in behalf of the Evangel but the Publishing House in general."

Guess Who!

Last week's picture: T. W. Godwin, overseer of Texas.

Prayer Answered

ATMORE, Ala.—I praise the Lord for what He has done for me. Last week my baby was sick; he had a high fever. I kept praying and thank the Lord he is well again. I am not a member of the Church of God but I do believe in the holiness way.

I ask everyone to pray for me, that I will do more for the Lord in the future than I have in the past and do what He would have me do.—Opal Lloyd, Rt. 3, Box 103, c/o L. A. Barrette.

Church of God On the Air

LaGrange, Ga., 1240 Kc., LaGrange. Each Sunday from 8:30-9:00 a. m., E.S.T. Vance Perkins, pastor.

Y.P.E., Marion, Va., over station WOPI. Each Sunday morning from 6:30-7:00 o'clock. Jesse R. Burkett, pastor.

Rev. H. L. Whittington and the LeFevre Trio, Atlanta, Ga., over station WGST. Each Sunday morning from 8:00-8:30 E.S.T.
Each Sunday afternoon from 3:00-4:00, E.S.T., over station WAGA.

Atlantic City, N. J., over WFPG, 1450 Kc. Each Sunday afternoon from 2:00-2:30 o'clock. Carl J. Hughes, pastor.

Augusta, Ga., over WGAC, Augusta, Ga. Each Saturday at 6:45 a. m. Each Sunday from 8:30-9:00 a. m. Rev. Odis Smith, pastor, and Langley, S. C. Church of God on same station.

Illinois, over WEBQ, Harrisburg, Ill. Each Saturday morning from 10:00-10:30. H. O. Harris, overseer of Illinois.

Valdosta, Ga., over station WGOV, Valdosta. Each Sunday afternoon from 3:30-4:00 o'clock, E.S.T. L. P. Shaw, pastor.

North and West Knoxville Churches over station WNOX, Knoxville, Tenn., 990 on your dial. Each Saturday morning from 10:05-10:30. G. W. Hodges and J. D. Wilson, pastors.

Carmi, Ill., over station WEBQ, Harrisburg, Ill. Each Friday morning from 10:00-10:30. J. L. Summers, pastor.

Pratt City, Ala., over station WSGN, Birmingham, 6100 Kc. Daily broadcast from church 4:00-4:30 p. m. Sunday broadcast 3:30-4:00 p. m. C. T. Douglas and A. M. Phillips in charge.

Benton, Ill. Each Monday from 10:00-10:30 a. m., over WEBQ, Harrisburg.

Warren, Ohio, district over station WRRN, 1400 Kc. Each Friday from 10:30-11:00 p. m. J. A. Lewis, pastor.

Cincinnati, Ohio, over WCPO, 1230 Kc. Each Sunday night from 9:30-10:00. Cincinnati church band and quartet will be on this broadcast with us every service. R. J. Staats, pastor.

North Rome, Ga., over station WRGA, Rome, 1500 Kc. Each Monday morning from 10:30-11:00, E.S.T. Linwood Jacobs, pastor.

Vulcan and Delbarton, W. Va., over station WBTH, Williamson, 1400 Kc., 250 watts. Each Sunday from 2:00-3:00 p. m. H. H. Tygart, Vulcan, W. Va., and W. H. Compton, Delbarton, W. Va., pastors.

General Overseer Makes Trip to Washington

Confers With Secretary of State

FOR several weeks the Churches of God in the Island of Haiti have been closed by a decree from the president of that Negro republic. Fifteen thousand ardent followers of Christ, who have been saved from hoodooism and devil worship, are now barred from gathering in their local meeting places of worship; even to street meetings and cottage prayer meetings are banned, and those who dare to violate the decree are arrested and thrown into prison.

The Churches of God all over our Nation have been in constant prayer for these people. Multiplied thousands of people in the United States have been greatly disturbed over this violation of the freedom of worship as is said to be guaranteed by the Constitution of Haiti. A petition to the Secretary of State, Cordell Hull, to use his influence and the influence of our country in this great time of need, has been circulated throughout the country, and 36,000 have affixed their signatures to the petition. Among these are approximately 2,000 city, county, state, and national officials. Governors, Senators, and Congressmen have signed the petition which asks relief from this decree. The petition reads as follows:

Cleveland, Tennessee
September 9, 1941

To the Honorable Cordell Hull
Secretary of State
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

The Church of God, the international headquarters of which are at Cleveland, Tennessee, but the membership of which extends into every state in the Union and into many foreign countries, is very much aggrieved at a recent decree of the Government of Haiti ordering all of its churches closed and denying to its members their right to worship God. This was done without any trial, charges, or hearing; and we are told that some of the members have now been thrown into prison to suffer for their religious convictions.

The undersigned members and friends of the Church of God feel very sure that the members of our Church have not done anything that could justify this extreme measure;

and they regard it as an improper, unauthorized, and dangerous interference with religious liberty. This is particularly true when it is considered that the Constitution of Haiti guarantees religious freedom.

Our Church has been wonderfully successful in Haiti. Many thousands of members have united with us and great progress has been made in the saving of souls. Many thousands of American citizens, here and many in Haiti, are vitally interested that the progress of our Church and the enjoyment of Christian liberty by our members shall not be interfered with.

We therefore most earnestly and respectfully appeal to you to use your tremendous influence and the influence of our Government to right this serious wrong.

Respectfully,

J. H. Walker, General Overseer,
The Church of God.

This paper is extremely grateful to the high officials of our city, state, and national government for their kind influence and assistance in this grave and needy time.

The General Overseer, J. H. Walker, has gone to Washington with this petition with 36,000 signers, to confer with Secretary of State, the Honorable Cordell Hull. Arrangements for an interview with Mr. Hull were made by Congressman Joe Bryson, of South Carolina, and Congressman Estes Kefauver, of Tennessee. The conference took place on Wednesday October 22, at 11:30.

President Lescot was in a conference with our missionary, Rev. John P. Kluzit, in an interview arranged by the American legation, right after the Assembly, but without any representation other than that which he himself was able to give. Brother Kluzit failed to make an impression on the president. President Lescot served for twelve years as an ambassador in this country from the Island of Haiti and it was upon his return there that he was elected as president. He is well acquainted with the Government of our country, as well as with our laws and customs. It is hoped that these, together with such influence as our national officials may have with him, will cause him to rescind this action and give relief to our missionary endeavors there.

The Island of Haiti is a very needy field. Not only is it a ripe field for the real gospel of the Son of God, but presents an open door for much social and financial help. The Church of God has been very liberal in the appropriation of funds for carrying on the work in Haiti. A Bible school where natives can be taught the Word of God and given Christian workers' courses, has been maintained for several years. It has been through the cooperation of these native ministers who have been trained in soul-saving that the Church of God has had such a great expansion in the Island of Haiti, and the influence of this great religious outbreak has gone into the Dominican Republic. As one of their consuls once said, "We have heard of the work of the Rev. and Madam Kluzit in Haiti and we hope that this good work spreads until it covers the Republic of Santo Domingo also."

The Church of God also maintains an orphanage in the Island of Haiti, where motherless and fatherless boys and girls are taken to be fed, clothed, and trained in the way of Christian truth. Many of these were picked up from the streets, having no place to go and nothing to eat.

God's blessings have been constantly upon the work of the Kluzits as they have labored untiringly and unceasingly to carry on for God. Though it might seem as a toil and hardship to many, to them it has been a source of satisfaction and joy. They could scarcely be satisfied on their vacation when they attended the Assembly, because of the great burden of the work of Haiti which lay upon them. We are sure that the prayer of the entire Church of God is now for them and that the visit of our General Overseer with our Secretary of State will bring about some kind of help and relief that will cause the greatest joy that they and their work have ever known.

P. S. The General Overseer has just returned from Washington and reports a very pleasant interview of more than thirty minutes with Secretary Hull. With him in the interview were Congressman Joseph Bryson, of South Carolina, Congressman Estes Kefauver, of Tennessee, and the Honorable Charles Mayfield, Attorney, of Cleveland, Tenn.

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Lying For Christ's Sake (?)

THERE seem to be many people in this old world who adhere to the doctrine that "the end justifies the means." From this doctrine comes so-called mercy murders, religious propaganda concocted to put over a cause even though the perpetrators know it to be absolutely false, and religious showmanship to merely work up the emotions of sentimental and radical-minded folk.

The international convention of a certain religious organization has just closed out in the city of Cleveland. Prior to the opening of this convention a publicity campaign was started in which large headlines of the newspapers carried predictions of 100,000 delegates to attend. Statements have been made that earlier conventions have had up to 150,000 delegates. This organization leaves no record of their membership or number of churches available to the public, even keeping them out of their minutes. The only record available is found in the Yearbook of Churches, which in the last volume gave the number of members of this organization as 22,000, in round numbers. The city of Cleveland has approximately 2,300 homes. The public should ask themselves the question, "How can an institution of 22,000 members send 100,000 delegates to a convention, and house them in 2,300 homes?" This organization, through the newspapers, claims to be the beginning of the Church of God in Christ, with 6,000 congregations; the Assemblies of God, with 4,000 congregations; the Church of God with 1,600 churches. They also claim, in the same newspaper, a membership of 50,000 in Sweden. They take credit for the new Church of God Boys' Home and for all the Church's growth and achievement in education, and flagrantly display it on the front page of the newspaper. All of this is done by the leadership of the Tomlinson Church of God.

A few years ago a pastor of this church in Cleveland, upon looking over the White Wing Messenger, found many flagrant distortions of facts which had come under his personal observation. He took the matter up with his general overseer and asked the question, "How in the world can we publish things that we know are untrue?" His general looked at him with a silly smile, then laughed out loud, and stated, "For Christ's sake." But can there be such a thing as justification in lying for Christ's sake? Even though it were to put over a right doc-

trine, would the Christ of Calvary who stood against sin in every form condone lying? No! This, with all other falsifying, must take its place, together with those who pass it along, in that place prepared according to God's Word. "All liars shall have their part in the lake that burneth with fire and brimstone." Let us be satisfied ever to tell the truth regarding those things that have been achieved by the Church of God, and let the work of the Church speak for itself rather than to inflate anything which we have done for God or He has done for us.

Words of Appreciation

MOST of the members of the Church of God know that there was a time when our old broken down ministers who had sold all they had and put it into the work of the Church and the cause of Christ in general, were left to die in poverty. This is true today with a great many religious organizations. But God is to be thanked that the Church of God has made preparations for its ministers in their old age, so that after they have given their best for God and His Church, they can retire and live respectably. For many years the Church has been gradually raising the allotment of these veteran ministers. At the last Assembly, viewing the need and the high cost of living, the Council of Twelve voted a 25 per cent raise, which met with a wonderful and appreciative response on the part of all of those affected.

The General Overseer has prepared a letter to the Council of Twelve with excerpts from many of these letters which have come in from the aged ministers, expressing their great appreciation of the Church of God and its love and care for them after they have given their all for it. We feel that you would like to hear some of the things said by them, and for this purpose we give a few lines from some of their letters:

"You don't know how much I appreciate the increase in my allotment. It surely did come in a good time. I certainly do think it is a blessing from the Lord."—E. E. Simmons.

"Your good letter came. I want to thank all who had a part in getting the increase in our pension. God can surely make us feel good and small by being good to us."—Amelia Shumaker.

"I can't tell how thankful I am to all for raising my check. I don't have words

to tell how much I thank you all and the Lord."—Etta Newman.

"Many, many thanks for the increase in compensation."—A. Gann.

"I very much appreciate the increase in my allotment. This is quite a help with the advanced prices in foodstuffs."—Z. R. Thomas.

"I surely do appreciate it (the increase) very much and it comes in so good to help meet expenses."—P. F. Fritz.

"I have no words to express to you the thanks and appreciation for increasing my allotment. It will help me out lots."—Sallie O. Lee.

"I thank you and the other ministers of the Council for giving me the raise."—Ida McCoy.

"We do thank you so much for the raise in our check. It will help me to buy winter clothes and other things that I need."—Mary Ward.

"Many thanks for the little raise the brethren gave me."—B. C. Culpepper.

"Received your very encouraging letter and thank you so much for your kind thoughtfulness of me."—Clara Mullikin.

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Christians Awake

BY GERALD MULHALL

Awake ye Christian soldiers,
Rise up, sound the alarm,
For your eyes have grown heavy
And you fail to see the harm.
Hold up the lamp of Gospel;
Light the way for sinful men;
Sound the trumpets loud in Zion,
Tell them quickly to come in.

For the judgment time is nearing,
Precious souls are lost today,
Groping blindly in the darkness,
Yet unmindful of the way.
Rouse up, rouse up, and quickly
Lead the way while there is light,
For it's eve' time, and the shadows
Are fast turning into night.

A Personal Investigation of Blasphemy

By Rev. J. Stewart Brinsfield

AT the risk of bodily harm, Rev. Earl P. Paulk and I drove down Eighth Avenue to 155th Street in New York City a few weeks ago to get firsthand information concerning a most grievous form of modern blasphemy. We had been warned by New York police and civilians that it was dangerous for white persons to be in Harlem after night. Harlem is the great Negro settlement of New York and is a large city within its own boundaries. There is a general feeling among its residents that white people have no particular business beyond 110th Street after dark, so we were informed that numerous whites had been flogged, robbed, stabbed, and some murdered. Such information was not encouraging to men who were touring New York's avenues with uncertainty of direction. Our dilemma was acute. The purpose of our trip was to get on the inside of what is commonly called Father Divine's heaven. The self-styled diminutive Negro god was out of New York during the day of our arrival and would not be in his Rockland Palace Heaven until late that night. He would, we were assured, be on hand for a great banquet that was staked there each week. After much debating about the advisability of risking a Harlem heaven at night, we finally decided to go early enough to park our car on a well-lighted street near the Rockland Palace, and go in before the sun retired, leaving to Providence the time of departure at the close of our investigation.

Successful in our plans, we found ourselves approaching the spacious building where we were to see the personality who has attracted so many thousands of people, and who has, in the last decade, built up an organization that demands respect, politically, economically, and religiously. The meeting had been in session all day, with the exception of a few periods for recess. There were people eating at the restaurant in one section of the building, others dancing and shouting and praising Father Divine in the main auditorium, and still others selling various wares in other sections. There was little order to the meeting. Those who wished to listen to the various speakers tried to get near the front, and those who wished to get in small groups to chat did so; in fact, everyone seemed to be at ease. No one was restrained from

his or her apparent inclination.

The meetings have a touch of a political rally because the walls are plastered with conspicuous signs of "No filibustering," "Pass the Anti-lynching Bill," etc. There is also the carnival touch to the gathering, on account of the variety of interests. Then, too, there is the religious tinge, like an old time Negro camp meeting where the natural urge to dance is encouraged. To the embarrassment of Brother Paulk, I ventured to ask one small group if they really thought Father Divine was God. They answered in the negative and then went on to say that they knew he was God. They said that they had gone beyond a mere belief in his divinity, and had come to a knowledge of it. Brother Paulk was embarrassed because of fear that my question might incite a riot. We had been told that if any one dared to insult the followers or angels of heaven, they were in mortal danger.

As soon as it became apparent to the intelligentsia that we were out-of-town, we were taken under special attention and invited to the platform. I must say that there was a feeling of physical safety in that gesture, and it also afforded us opportunity to see and hear what happened. It wasn't long after we were seated among the angels and celebrities that one of the angels approached with pencil and notebook to get our names and professions, as well as to secure information of our attitudes. We tried to appear very gracious. This interview being over, we were then told by a white man sitting near, that we might be honored to sit with Father Divine at the banquet table. Now we were on treacherous grounds. We couldn't afford to offend by refusing, nor could we partake, because it was considered their communion table, so we decided that if we were invited we would accept, providing we could be excused from eating.

Time was wearing on toward ten o'clock so I became so filled on the whole affair that I decided to go to the side exit for a breath of air. On reaching the exit I noticed a burly policeman on duty, so decided to go talk with him. He told me that it was about time for Father Divine to arrive, so I went inside and asked Brother Paulk to come with me and after assuring him of police protection we

proceeded to the outside. The kindly patrolman told us to stand off at the edge of the building to keep from being trodden on, "For," said he, "when that \$17,000 special-built limousine rolls up here there will be a blast from the horn on the vehicle and people will pour out of all doors here to welcome the father." We moved back and in a few minutes we saw this luxurious car, resplendent with throne and accessories, turn the corner and by the time it stopped at the curb some twenty feet away, there was a blast of its horn and people literally swarmed out of the building, yelling a welcome to their god. First, about a dozen girls came out of the limousine, six Negro and six white. They appeared to be in their late teens. They were richly dressed. Then came Father Divine. He waved his hand in response to their cheers and hastened on inside.

After this appearance of their god, the meeting took on a new interest. We returned to the platform and were soon invited by the dapper white lawyer manager to sit at the banquet. We expressed delight but also added that we were indisposed to eat. He in turn requested that we sit at the banquet nevertheless. This we did. It was just a few minutes after the three long immaculate and decorative tables, each about one hundred and fifty feet in length, were filled that Father Divine entered from a side anteroom. All stood and he strode to his place at the table, took a gold-plated bell and rang it several times, then sat down at his chair which was about fifteen feet from my place. When all were seated again, the courses of the meal began. It would be impossible for me to describe the abundance of food served. About one hundred and fifty courses of food, everything from roast turkey to toothpicks. The service of the banquet was the finest possible. We let all the delicacies pass by. The scores of people in the main auditorium were separated from the banquet room by a sort of colonnade but they continued their worship of Father Divine. He was very reserved and showed little signs of reaction to their worship. They had special chorus singers, who sang at intervals when the worshippers seemed to tire in their extremely fervent enthusiastic worship. Then there were testimonials of praise to the divine

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Approved Worship . . .

By Rev. William F. Dych

Mobridge, S. Dak.

One of the greatest blessings that can come into an individual's life is the knowledge of God's approval upon their endeavors. This includes all phases of our Christian experience. We are going to consider one of the most important phases, and that is worship. Of course, we can just touch the borders of this subject at this time, as it is exhaustible.

John 4:23 reads: "But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshipers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him." This infers that there has been, and is, a form of worship that God disapproves. For many, many years Israel had been engulfed in formality, tradition and ceremonialism. Read Matt. 15:1-9. God's disapproval and condemnation is upon this type of worship, so Christ introduces the fact that WE MUST WORSHIP GOD IN SPIRIT AND IN TRUTH. John 4:24.

What is spiritual worship? I believe we can more fully understand what spiritual worship is if we consider what it is not. IT IS NOT FORMALISM, and we are admonished to turn away from such. 2 Tim. 3:5, "Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away." The cry of my soul is that God will keep us delivered from this which has caused the blessings of God to be withdrawn from many. IT IS NOT MERE VERBAL EXPRESSIONS, BUT ACTION. It has often been said that what you do speaks much louder than what you say. Our worship should not be confined only to a church building, but we should perform acts that will reverence and honor God wherever we are. Read Titus 1:16; James 1:27, 4:17 and Luke 10:30-37. IT IS NOT SHOW-MANSHIP. In the sermon on the mount Christ denounced such worship, and God's disapproval is still upon it. Just because you can sing, testify or pray better than someone else, if you do not have the proper attitude and if you are not humble, God's approval will not be upon your worship. Matt. 6:1-18 and 23:5-12.

AND IT IS NOT ALWAYS MANIFESTATION. I would fear to make this statement if I did not have scripture to back it up, for I know much that WE have acknowledged as spiritual manifestation has not been what we accepted it as, and to our sorrow we found it out at a later time. I do not question the sincerity of a lot of manifestation, but does it edify the individual and the church? Consider the worship of the heathen, it is

filled with manifestation. Manifestation in heathen worship is greater many times than what we have seen in many of our services, yet that does not say that it is worship that God approves. Manifestation has deluded many. Don't misunderstand me; I wholeheartedly believe in spiritual manifestation and that it will edify the church and it is needed today as much as it has ever been needed. Read 1 Cor. 14 and 2 Cor. 3:17 in connection with this statement. The Israelites gave themselves up to the wanton manifestations of heathen worship according to chapter 32 in the book of Exodus, and without question God's wrath and disapproval was upon it for He desired to remove them from the face of the earth. It was only the intercession of Moses that hindered God from raising up another people. If manifestation alone was approved worship, surely the fire would have fallen upon the altar of the prophets of Baal on mount Carmel. They cried aloud, danced, cut themselves until the blood gushed out, but no fire fell. 1 Kings 18:17-41. Therefore I say it is our attitude and humility before God that will produce the desired results, in worship.

I am convinced that the whole substance of this subject can be summed up

in two statements of Christ, that are found in the gospel according to Matthew; namely, "Get thee hence, Satan; for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve," Matt. 4:10, and "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind," Matt. 22:37.

In conclusion let us consider one opportunity of the many that Christ used to drive home the truth He was declaring. In the eighteenth chapter of Luke we read of two men who went to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a publican. Read their worship in verses 11 to 13 and you will be able to determine the worship God's approval is upon. "The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, God, I thank thee, that I am not as other men are, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this publican. I fast twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I possess. And the publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as his eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying, God be merciful to me a sinner." In closing we must admit that if our worship is in the spirit it will meet the other demand of Christ THAT IT MUST BE ALSO IN TRUTH.

AN EVANGELISTIC MIND

C. N. O'KELLY

"Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus," Phil. 2:5.

"LET"

Notice this word "let" means to permit or allow.

"Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his," Rom. 8:9.

So, with the mind and Spirit of Christ, we are to let or permit or allow the things Christ did to keep on going. You and I are to do the things He said do, then we will be happy.

EVANGELISM

This is to start at home, then be carried throughout the world.

"And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem," Luke 24:47.

"And he said unto them, Go ye," Mark 16:15.

Jesus said, "Go ye," and I believe He meant what He said. Jesus was a missionary while on this earth. You and I, filled with the good Holy Ghost, are to let this great work go on. In St. John 14:12 Jesus said "greater works than these shall he do."

PROGRAM

Somebody may say, "Oh, the program! it is so hard to do." Yes, for only one it is, but just let it be known and we pastors be examples then let it be done. These good Holy-Ghost-filled people, with the mind and Spirit of Christ, can do it.

MISSIONS

Yes, missions! Just remember that this gospel and time must keep moving into the foreign fields. Please allow me to tell you a few words of a missionary from China which I heard over a radio a few months ago. He said people would walk miles and miles to hear this good gospel preached. All the ladies would be carrying a song book or Bible instead of a large purse. He started preaching at 8:00 p. m. and preached until 12:00 and the people would still be coming in. They did not want him to quit but said, "Tell us some more of this Jesus." They were seeking and finding the Lord by the hundreds.

"How shall they hear without a preacher? and how shall they preach except they be sent?" Rom. 10:14, 15.

God help us to let this mind be in us which was also in Christ Jesus.

Revivals And Their Results

OAK GROVE, Ala.—I praise God for a wonderful meeting which we had at Oak Grove Church of God. God surely blessed us in a wonderful way. Sister Emma Newman did the preaching and it seemed that she was at her best. Her messages were inspirational.

The saints were built up in the most holy faith and sinners wept their way through to victory. Praise the Lord! Six were saved, six sanctified, and two filled with the Holy Ghost. It seemed that the church was almost gone down when we went there. They never even had Sunday school the first Sunday Sister Newman was there, but now they have a good Sunday school and Sister Newman organized a Y. P. E. and we had a church full of young people the Sunday night we closed the meeting. We closed with several in the altar seeking the Holy Ghost. The young people seemed to take good interest to love Sister Newman. They cried when she closed the meeting and they all marched up and gave her a love offering, which was appreciated very much by Sister Newman. I am Sister Newman's coworker. I play a guitar and sing and I feel that I am closer to the Lord after having been in the revival with her. She is a wonderful worker for the Lord and anyone would be indeed fortunate to get her for a revival. She lives a good life and preaches the old time gospel. Our address is Sylacauga, Ala., 47 Central Avenue.—Dorothy Harlan, of Calera, Ala.

BOWLING GREEN, Ky.—We just closed a three weeks' revival conducted by our pastor, Brother G. R. Morris, and coworkers. The power of God was manifested in a great way. One was reclaimed, two sanctified, one filled with the Holy Ghost, and three added to the church. Two of these were a Pentecostal minister and his wife. They are really on fire for God.

We made up \$81.00 toward a new church. We are worshipping in a 40x60 rented building at 610 College Street at present. The L. W. W. B. has a quilt in the frames, expecting to do their part. We are planning to be in this new building by the first of May by the help of the Lord.

The revival closed with the Lord's supper and feet washing. Pray for us, that God will continue to bless the work here.—Mrs. Mina Pack, clerk.

DARLOVE, Miss.—I thank the Lord for His healing power. On Sunday, Oct. 12, He healed my wife of a fever. Praise His name! He also healed Mrs. Davin Sledge's little girl the same day.

We thank the Lord for the week's revival which was run in this community at Victory Crossing by Brother Knight, of Thomasville, Ala., also Brother L. A. Harville, of this place. The Lord surely blessed. He was with us in every service. The power of the Lord was strong. The Holy Ghost would come down and take charge of the services. Brother Knight and Brother Harvel surely are men of God. I praise the Lord for delivering me from the Army. He is able to do all things. When we are in trouble we can go to Him and if we put our trust in Him He will help us. We ask the prayers of the people for us here at Victory Crossing. I know many of you read my testimonies while I was in the Army. I was at Fort Benning, Ga.—Vardaman Dyson.

The Stewart Town, Jam., B. W. I., Church of God Revival Report

It is my greatest pleasure to send in this our revival report. Our revival started the 7th day of September, lasting a good while. On Sunday the 7th, we attended a baptism which was held at Bay Harbour, conducted by Brother L. W. Higgins. The sermon was preached by John E. Higgins. Ten candidates were baptized, four from Stewart Town, the balance from other places. We returned to Stewart Town where the members of three churches met (Stewart Town, Higgins Land, Philadelphia), and a dedication was held in the new building, delivering it up from our hearts to the Lord. Afterward an entertainment was well rendered all to the glory of God.

Oh, saints, we have heard sermons which caused us to believe there is no other doctrine to compare to this our own. Ten souls were saved.

Washing the saints' feet and communion was given also. We believed that the revival would stop but glory to God it is just taking place in the saints and on the unsaved ones. We are having one of the sweetest times on earth in Stewart Town. Pray for us, especially the clerk, for I am not baptized with the Holy Ghost yet. It brings tears to my eyes to know that I am one who is placed in this position without the Holy Ghost but in

all your prayers pray for me in the name of our Lord and Savior.—Lucius Miller, clerk.

MAUD, Okla.—We had a good revival at the Moores Chapel church. Thirteen were saved, four sanctified, and three filled with the Holy Ghost.—Mrs. Letha Hall.

YOUR PLEDGES

This is the way your pledges stand this week according to the states:

State	Laymen	Ministers	Total
Alabama	403	50	453
Arkansas	81	15	96
Arizona	24	2	26
California	2	9	11
New Mexico	17	16	33
New Jersey	10	4	14
Maryland	82	12	94
Dist. of Columbia	16		16
Florida	3	45	48
Georgia	528	62	590
Washington	7	2	9
Illinois	276	31	307
Indiana	16	6	22
Iowa	11	12	23
Idaho	6	2	8
Kansas		4	4
Kentucky	171	45	216
Louisiana	48	32	80
Maine	11	7	18
Michigan		9	9
Mississippi	25	45	70
Missouri	72	60	132
Minnesota	4	2	6
Montana	1	1	2
North Carolina	24	40	64
North Dakota		2	2
South Dakota	2	2	4
Ohio	194	15	209
Pennsylvania	48	16	64
South Carolina	252	101	353
Oklahoma		6	6
Tennessee	202	29	231
Texas	68	75	143
Virginia	298	34	332
West Virginia	399	36	435
Delaware		1	1
Wyoming		1	1
<i>Foreign Countries</i>			
Mexico		3	3
Jamaica		2	2
Canada		1	1
Bahamas		1	1
TOTAL	3,301	838	4,139

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Confession

Golden Text, November 2

"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness," 1 John 1:9.

"If" implies that there are certain conditions to meet before there is a consequence. "If" is a very small word but it demands recognition. If you run after two hares, you will catch neither. If you cannot bite, don't show your teeth. If you leap into a well, Providence is not bound to lift you out. If they say you are good, ask yourself if it is true. If all

would amend one, all would be amended. If money becomes your god, it will plague you like the devil. If the cap fits, wear it. If better were within, better would come out. If the heart believeth unto righteousness, the mouth will make confession.

Confession is easy after true repentance. Confession is made unto salvation (deliverance), not to another empty confession every few days. We have many forgetful hearers these days. In church they see themselves, get alarmed, and make another empty confession. As soon as out of sight, the confession is out of their mind. Now it is not my duty to help God punish such folk. He will do right about it, I know. But He surely is a patient God. Sin must be confessed and forsaken. Then there are others who, if they confess, it will be accidental, like the egotist who got up to make a big speech. He said, "Ladies and Gentlemen, my father was a raiser of hogs, and there was a big bunch of us." Then he wondered why everybody laughed.

"The greatest of all faults is to be conscious of none."—Carlyle.

"The confession of evil works is the beginning of good works."—Augustine.

Be not ashamed to confess wrong. You say by confession, "I am wiser today than I was yesterday." No sir, it won't kill anyone (not even a preacher) to say, "I (ME, MYSELF) have done wrong; forgive me." One fellow, trying to avoid a good confession at the altar, was told by one brother, "Just come on, brother; tell the Lord you got drunk and be through with it." Open confession is good

for the soul. A generous confession disarms slander, and confession of faults makes half amends.

It is said of Luther, who was a very pious monk, that he would not absolve anyone's sins unless he promised to abandon them. Some would appeal to their letters of indulgence, but Luther was unmoved. He would say, "Except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish."

"If thou wouldst be justified, acknowledge thine injustice. He that confesses his sin, begins his journey toward salvation. He that is sorry for it mends his pace. He that forsakes it, is at his journey's end."—Quarles.

The first prisoner says, "I am innocent." The second says, "I am not guilty of all I am accused of." The third says, "I am guilty of all and if I get justice I will hang." He was set free. Why? Because he confessed. "He that covereth his sins shall not prosper: but whoso CONFESSETH AND FORSAKETH them shall have mercy," Prov. 28:13.

Victorious Over Sin in the Army

CAMP WALTERS, Tex.—I thank the Lord that I am able to say I am still victorious over sin and the world. I thank Him for the sweet Holy Ghost. It seems like I am just in the way all the time, but I do love the Lord and it is my desire to press on and be with Him when He says come.

Since being in the army I have often wondered just why the Lord called on me when He did. I was deep in sin until just about four months before entering the service. After leaving home my mother has found the way. Thank God! Now I have a praying mother, one brother and one sister. I would like for every child of God to pray for my father and older brother, that they will find salvation before it is too late.

I thank God for being stationed where I can attend a Church of God. Thank the Lord for the church in Mineral Wells. I have been reading my Evangel tonight and find that it is very good company when I have to work nights and have to be by myself most of the time. My eyes have been giving me some trouble, but thank the Lord they are better now. I would like to be remembered in prayer that my eyes will be completely healed so that I can read the Word of God while I am here.—Pvt. Marvin Richardson, Station Hospital.

SOMERVILLE, Tenn.—Dear Saints, I praise the Lord for His healing power. I have been healed of T. B., toothache and many different things. The Lord is the same yesterday, today and forever. Heb. 13:8. I belong to the Church of God and have been preaching five years. Pray that I will be in the will of the Lord.—W. H. Wright, Rt. 1.

Question Box

The Editor

Question: Will you please explain whether or not the passages of scripture which refer to speaking in new tongues, speaking in other tongues, and speaking in an unknown tongue, all mean the same thing or not?—Mrs. J. C. P.

Answer: In all of these instances the same thing is referred to. In Mark 16, in the catalog of signs that are to follow believers, it is said, "they shall speak with new tongues." Moffatt's Translation says, "they will talk in foreign tongues." This literally means that they shall speak in another language, or languages. The 2d chapter of Acts is the fulfillment of the prediction made by Jesus in the 16th chapter of St. Mark. The King James Version states here, "and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." And again, Moffatt's Translation gives it, "they began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit enabled them to express themselves."

The words "unknown tongue" are found only in the 14th chapter of 1 Corinthians, and the word "unknown" is a word supplied by the translator to designate the language there spoken was unknown to those present. A careful reading of the entire 14th chapter of 1 Corinthians will show that the Apostle Paul is speaking of gifts, and special emphasis was laid on the gift of tongues being improperly used, where there was no interpreter. The very fact that though one there understood is expressed in verse 11, "Therefore if I know not the meaning of the voice, I shall be unto him that speaketh a barbarian, and he that speaketh shall be a barbarian unto me." The 16th verse, however, shows that had there been one present who was versed in foreign languages, he could have understood those who were speaking in what was termed the unknown tongues. Verse 16, "Else when thou shalt bless with the spirit, how shall he that occupieth the room of the unlearned say Amen at thy giving of thanks, seeing he understandeth not what thou sayest?" The inference is, had he been learned sufficiently he would have understood.

All these passages refer to foreign languages being spoken by an unction of the Holy Spirit.

Question: To whom should we pray, to Jesus and the Father, or to the Father in Jesus' name, or to all three of the Godhead? Should we at any time pray to Jesus alone?—L. S.

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Praise and Thanksgiving

A Friend in Time of Need

FROSTPROOF, Fla.—I feel just like praising God today for His matchless love and tender mercy toward the land of the free. I praise the Lord for redeeming me from a life of sin Nov. 6, 1937. The way has been rough many times but regardless of every trial and test I find my dear Lord a ready friend in time of need. I have only one child and he is just the right age to be expecting a call from Uncle Sam any time. He is unsaved. I am asking the children of God to breathe his name in prayer that he will be saved before he has to go.

I have had the care of my insane grandfather since July 14, 1940, a very testing job, deprived of being in service very much. I really feel the need of your prayers in this testing time of my life. I know God is able to restore my grandfather's mind. Will you also please remember him? he is very pitiful.

I really praise God for sending our dear pastor, Brother Maxey Thomas, and family back to be with us another year. His life speaks out for him in the little town of Frostproof. He has done a wonderful work here and we are looking for the best year for Frostproof yet.

We are in a revival with Brother Alex Duncan in charge. God is blessing; souls are being saved. We are trusting God for a landslide here. There are many precious, miserable souls here seeking something to satisfy and do not know God. Brother Duncan is really preaching old time, Holy Ghost salvation. Remember him and his family in your prayers as they will soon be on their way back across the states to his post of duty.

I have some unspoken requests; God knows all about them. I feel if there ever was a time when we needed to pray for one another it is now. Let us join in prayer for our President that God will direct his plans. I fear we are nearing the time when it is going to take real blood-bought salvation to stand.—Mrs. Belle Godwin, Box 171.

I praise my Savior who gave His life on Calvary's cross that I might have eternal life. Oh, praise His wonderful name! I am so glad we have a Savior to whom we can talk. When we are lonely and sad, if we will only let Him, Jesus will step into our hearts and comfort us. Oh glory to God. It is so sweet to hear that

still sweet voice of Jesus when we let Him talk to our hearts. I feel God's calling us to do something for Him. Sinner friend, I feel God is giving the last call to some of you now. Won't you accept Him now as He stands at the crossroads of life? Jesus is pointing to the narrow way. He is making His last stand; He is giving out His last call. Let us not be as the five foolish virgins were, let us have the oil in our vessels and be ready for Him when He comes. The end is near and behold He stands at your heart's door, knocking, wanting to be let in. Pray for me that I will stand true to Him.—Pvt. Vardaman Dyson, Hq. Battery 4th Div. Arty. A. P. O. 4, Ragley, La.

NEWBERN, Va.—I praise the Lord for what He means to me, for saving me and giving me the Holy Ghost and a determination to serve Him. I praise Him for His wonderful keeping power. We know that we have tests and trials in this life but if we just look to the Lord and ask Him to help us He will. He is standing ready to help us from this world of sin if we just trust in our blessed Savior. He will soon take us home where we will never have to part.

I sometimes get to thinking of heaven and it makes me want to go home and I get to thinking of the ones who are unprepared to meet their Savior. All who read this please pray that God will save my mother and father, sister and brothers before it is too late. There are nine in family and I am the only one who is serving God. My husband and I are trying to do our best. Saints, pray for us; we need your prayers. I believe He is soon coming and I want to be ready when He comes or calls for me.—Mrs. Berman East.

LAWRENCEBURG, Tenn. — Dear Evangel Readers, I promised the Lord if He would heal my body I would testify of it. I truly thank Him for every blessing and desire your prayers that I may live more like Him. Please pray also for my family and friends to receive salvation.—Sue Adair.

SALE CITY, Ga. — Dear saints, I must praise my precious Savior for victory in my soul and for the overcoming

power in every hard test of the enemy. Praise God for the sweet Holy Ghost that abides each day and hour. I am so glad that God does answer prayer in His own good time.

Praise His great name that the little church at Oak Grove near Statesboro has been revived and is on fire once more. I praise Him for the saving of precious souls. I well remember how Sister Morris and I prayed so many times that our church would never be disbanded as some thought best. Dear Sister Morris has gone to her reward but is sorely missed in the work.

I request prayer for my son, Clifford L. Billing, who is unsaved; call his name in prayer. Pray for my complete healing and that I will be faithful and hold up the blood-stained banner of Jesus.—Mrs. Florence E. Sturm, Box 5.

KENNEDY, Ala.—Thank God for His healing power. A few months ago my neice had pneumonia and the doctors said there wasn't a chance for her to live. I promised God if He would heal her I would testify through the Evangel and through His wonderful healing power she was completely healed. God gets all the praise.—Beatrice Newman.

HOLLANDALE, Miss.—I praise the Lord for a full and free salvation and for His wonderful healing power. I praise Him for healing me of a bad sore mouth and for healing my daughter also. He means all and all to me. I praise Him for this wonderful Holy Ghost. Please pray for me that I will ever be in His will.—Mrs. L. A. Harville.

WARBRANCH, Ky.—Dear Brothers and Sisters, I surely love to read your good testimonies. I thank God that I belong to this church. I have been saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost eight years.

I thank God that He healed my body of fits and has enabled me to work for my children this long. My husband has been dead three years. He left me with seven children. It is very hard for me to keep them clothing to wear. I surely want all of you to pray that God will bless my home and supply our needs. It grieves me because I can't send them to school or go to church. We kneel and
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Reports from the Field

Missouri Ministers' Meeting

The Missouri ministers' meeting convened at Cantwell, Oct. 10, 11. From the opening service there seemed to be an unbroken fellowship and unity. A good feeling prevailed throughout the meeting. As a climax, it seemed God so wonderfully set His approval upon the closing session, making us to know that He was pleased with our council. I can truthfully say, I never sat in a more blessed council. We attribute the success of this meeting to the hallowed presence of the Godhead and the loyalty of the ministerial body. Even the laity that was present, I believe, were favorably impressed and blessed by this meeting.

We were fortunate indeed to have our Second Assistant General Overseer, Rev. Earl P. Paulk, with us in this meeting. He certainly proved his ability to fill the capacity of moderator of this council. Brother Paulk spoke for us on the night of the 10th and many were the comments that came to our ears concerning his message. To say the least would be to say it was wonderful. We appreciate men of his ability having the leadership of the great Church of God.

The Bible tells us to give honor to whom honor is due, Rom. 13:7. Certainly if there are men who deserve the roses while they live, our state overseer, Rev. Houston R. Morehead, is one of them. He has not spared himself in working for the Church and as a result has been a great blessing to the state.

I sincerely appreciate all the good ministers and members of the Church of God in Missouri. I believe we have some of the best plans to work this year that we have ever had and it seems our chances of success are great by the help and grace of God. Remember Paul stated in writing to the church at Corinth, "For we are labourers together with God: ye are God's husbandry, ye are God's building," 1 Cor. 3:9. With all the good ministers and members we have in Missouri to labor with, and with an omnipotent God to stand by us, I bespeak a great year for the Church of God in Missouri, if Jesus tarries.—Earl T. Golden, clerk, Valles Mines, Mo.

THONOTOSASSA, Fla.—Just a word of praise for my Savior. We have been placed at Thonotosassa, Fla., for this

year. The Lord is blessing in a great way. Large crowds are attending. One received the Holy Ghost the first Sunday night we were here.

We are beginning a revival. We want you to pray that many souls will find their way to God and that we will be a blessing to the folks here and the church will go over the top for Jesus.—Robert and Edna Culpepper, Gen. Del.

DOWLING PARK, Fla.—On Sunday night, Oct. 12, the faithful few of the Church of God at Dowling Park, Fla., met for prayer service with Brother A. H. Landen as our leader. When we had sung about three songs we offered prayer and began to ask our heavenly Father to bless in our service with His great power, and, praise His name, the good Holy Ghost began to work. A message was given that someone was getting his last call. An altar call was given and some hungry souls came and sought God. We had a wonderful service for God was there in our midst. We haven't a pastor here but we are asking God to bless and supply our need.

We do not desire to stop and sit down because we haven't a pastor; we continue our prayer meeting and Sunday school and we are looking for God to bless and help us, for He said He would never leave nor forsake us.

We are glad we are serving a God who is able to supply our every need. Praise His name. We appreciate Brother Drymon, of Jasper, coming over and preaching for us one Saturday night. He surely fed our souls with the Word of God. We trust he can come again. If any blood-bought, Holy-Ghost-filled, Church of God preacher feels just like God would be pleased with your coming to help us win these souls, we would be glad to have you. We expect to pray and live for Jesus right on. Please pray for us.—Mrs. D. L. McCullen, Box 95.

SPEEDWELL, Tenn. — I praise the Lord for what He is to me, because He saved and sanctified me and I really want to live for Him, and press on toward the mark of the high calling in Christ Jesus. Please pray for me, that I will receive the Holy Ghost.

I praise the Lord for our church here at Speedwell. We praise Him so much

for sending our good pastor and his wife last year who did so much in helping to build up the church here, Brother and Sister J. D. Humphrey. May God bless their work this next year, wherever they be.

We also praise God because we have a good humble pastor this year, Brother and Sister V. E. Varner. We believe they are people of God. We all love them very much. Pray for us here. — Mrs. Charlie D. Mayers.

CANTON, N. C., Church of God is expecting a great year in the Lord under the leadership of our new pastor and wife, Brother and Sister James Moore. They are real people of God and Brother Moore preaches the whole Word of God under the anointing and power of the precious Holy Ghost. Every department of the church has taken on new zeal and courage to press on and work for Christ and His Church.

We praise God for His precious presence in every service for we know without Him we are a failure. We are all working together in unity and love, expecting God to send us a great revival. Please remember Canton when you go to God in prayer. There are precious souls here who need Jesus.—Sybil Medford.

GRANITE FALLS, N. C.—I praise the Lord for saving, sanctifying and baptizing me with the Holy Ghost. I praise Him for being added to the Church of God here in Dudley Shoals. I am proud of our little church. We have a good Sunday school and services.

Please, all Christians, pray for the sinners around here that they will see the light before it is too late, and come to God. Pray that I will be faithful to the end.—Clara B. Laxton.

COBBTOWN, Ga.—I am so glad for salvation. It means much to me. I am saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and am so glad of it this morning. Words cannot express it to you. I am also glad for the wonderful services we have been having at Hillside church. You know the Lord just came down in such a great way and the Holy Ghost was so real till I just can't help but tell it. We had an altar service and there were sev-

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Requests

For Prayer

We receive many requests for the salvation of relatives, loved ones, and friends, also for urgent unspoken requests. There are so many of these requests it is impossible to publish them, but we ask that all take these to heart and earnestly pray that the Lord will answer prayer in their behalf.

Pray For

The healing of my children, they are all in bad health. My oldest son has just come out of the hospital. My husband and me.—Myrtle Hicks, Rt. 3, Whitwell, Tenn.

Me to be healed of heart trouble.—Mrs. Margaret Brofford, Victory Sta., Gastonia, N. C.

The healing of my brother's body, he has asthma and is very sick. His address is Allie Johnson, Herod, Ill.—C. E. Johnson, Herod, Ill.

The healing of my body, I am afflicted in several different ways. Over two years ago I was operated on for rupture, now I am badly ruptured again. I also have bad eyes and several other afflictions. The healing of my people who are afflicted. God to undertake for me; a young lady.—Miss Maud Martin, Rt. 2, Box 17, Altoona, Ala.

Me to be healed of anemia. They give me transfusions but they do not last very long.—Mrs. Susie Foley, Logan, W. Va.

The healing of my little boy who is in a serious condition with an itching eczema in every joint of his body.—Rev. W. T. Truett, Rt. 1, Claysburg, Pa.

The healing of a child who has been in the hospital several months with infection of the bone, he cannot walk.—Elvin Griffith, Rt., Whitwell, Tenn.

The Lord to heal my little two-year-old niece, she cannot walk; my family.—Mildred Daugherty, Bremen, Ga.

God to heal my body of a bad kidney trouble and something like stomach trouble, it hurts all the time.—Miss Lela Murray, Springville, Ala.

The healing of my body, I am in a

serious condition with my heart, the doctors say I have an enlarged heart. If it is not His will to heal me, please pray that He will make me willing to suffer.—Lawrence Freeman, Monroe, Ga.

My baby to be healed; my father and two sisters.—Mrs. Ruby Ray, Booths-point, Tenn.

God to heal my body, I have suffered so much; my husband.—Mrs. Ida McComb, Dixiana, Ala.

The healing of my body, I am in the hospital with rheumatism and enlarged heart and also have a bad cough. I haven't walked for nearly three years.—Bailey E. Range, Veterans Hospital, Ward 7, Mountain Home, Tenn.

My niece who is in bed with T. B. to be healed and saved.—Mrs. T. M. Basham, Lynch, Ky.

The healing of my daughter who has very bad sore throat and tonsils; my foot to be healed.—Sister Maurell Rude, 315 S. Water St., Harrisburg, Ill.

The healing of my little granddaughter who has a breaking out on her body and in her hair; me to be healed of neuritis in my right arm and hand.—Mrs. Reba Irwin, Shelburn, Ind.

The healing of my body.—Nora Sandifer, Epps, La.

The healing of my afflicted body, I have been suffering four years with pains in my entire body and heart trouble; the healing of my daughter who was born afflicted with a nervous condition something like paralysis on her right side.—Jennie Babich, 145 Chestnut St., Aliquippa, Pa.

The healing of my body, I have throat and head trouble; Sister Mary Huddleston to be healed of something like paralysis.—Mrs. Bill Ramsey, Silver Point, Tenn.

Me to be healed of stomach trouble; my husband. Someone please write him about living a Christian life.—Mrs. B. C. Keller, Rt. 3, Cleveland, Tenn.

The healing of my body.—Bessie Smith, Guion, Ark.

Me and Earl Miner to be healed, we

were in a bad car wreck Oct. 16 and have several cuts and bruises.—Jesse Mitchell, Rt. 1, Verbena, Ala.

My son who is in Iceland to be saved and return home safely.—Mrs. R. S. Neikirk, Middlesboro, Ky.

God to undertake for me and answer prayer.—Ada Helton, Hartford, Tenn.

The healing of my baby, he is four years and three months old and can't talk. He has had bad stomach trouble all his life; my mother who has suffered thirty-seven years with bad sore legs and a bad kidney trouble to be healed; my husband and children.—Mrs. Sarah Mashburn, Bridgeport, Ala.

Our baby to be healed, he has been sick for some time.—Mrs. W. I. Head, Rt. 4, Elizabethton, Tenn.

The healing of my body, I am in the Western North Carolina Sanatorium. A lady here to be healed of T. B.—Mrs. Oscar Helms, Western North Carolina Sanatorium, Black Mountain, N. C.

The healing of my body, I am in a serious condition; my mother to be healed.—Hazel Lewis, Tannery, Ky.

The Lord to heal my body, I have suffered several years with weak spells.—Mrs. Lou Nell Crabtree, 301 W. 15th St., Anniston, Ala.

Me to be healed of rheumatism in my legs and feet, I have been down two months.—Verdie Landrum, Rt. 1, Horton, Ala.

The complete healing of my body; God to undertake for us.—Sister Ethel Craig, Ft. Green, Fla.

The healing of my body, I have sinus trouble and other afflictions.—Sister Esther Hughes, Powderly, Ala.

Dear saints, I have been a member of the Church of God seventeen years and have been preaching the gospel ten years, but there is a certain obstruction in the way that the Lord alone can move. Please pray for me that the Lord will undertake.—R. S. Barnes, Rt. 1, Box 163, Clover, S. C.

The complete healing of my body, I have pyorrhea very bad. God to undertake for my dear lost husband, save his soul and heal his body; God to undertake for me; my two youngest children to be healed of sores on their legs.—Mrs. Naomi Hogan, Gen. Del., Wauchula, Fla.

God to undertake for me; my brother-in-law who is in the hospital to be healed and saved.—Rev. Walter H. Mask, West Plains, Mo.

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My Sermonette

FLORENCE SHUMAKER

"Behold, I come quickly," Rev. 22:7, 12.

Does your heart not thrill, do your pulses not quicken at these words. Oh wondrous thought! "Oh words with heavenly comfort fraught!" "Behold, I come quickly: and my reward is with me to give every man according as his work shall be." With what seriousness should we approach our every work. According as our work shall be! The suddenness will preclude any shadow of turning. In the very act in which we are, dear reader, yea, even while reading these trite words, He may come in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye! Quickly! Stop for an instant and wink your eyes; then consider the quickness of His coming even in like manner. A fraction of a second will be all that is required. Quickly! Where were we last night? What will we be doing in the next hour?

"Behold, I come, for yet a little while, and he that shall come will come, and will not tarry." Yes, I know that it has been nearly 2,000 years since He ascended unto the Father, but did you ever stop to consider that according to secular history the "Christian's hope" was one of the outstanding earmarks of the first Christian church? Should we not be looking then for Him, even moreso now than ever before? "Oh, but I'm ready; what difference does it make when He comes?" some will say. Dear reader, it makes all the difference in the world between love and indifference. Suppose a wife should say of her absent husband, "I don't care when my husband comes home; I have the house all ready. Why should I worry about the moment of his coming?" Ah beloved, would that be love? Yet thousands of so-called Christians today, including ministers of the gospel, are saying these very words. Should it worry you to have your spouse return unexpectedly? If your heart is not crying out for His return, you do not love Him. Love is a drawing near, a desire to get closer. "There shall come in the last days scoffers walking after their own lusts, and saying, Where is the promise of his coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of creation." 2 Peter 3:3. Will these scoffers keep Him back? No, I thank God! Nor 10,000,000 more like them! The ancient of days said, "Behold, I come quickly." Can we say with John, "Even so come, Lord Jesus?"

"Then those who have suffered and toiled for His name,

*Though hated, rejected, unknown,
No longer shall suffer the world's scorn
and shame*

When Jesus returns for His own."

"But thou shalt call thy walls Salvation, and thy gates Praise," Isaiah 60:18.

Sinner, believer, have you comprehended that to enter heaven through the walls of Salvation we must come through the gates of Praise? Have you ever praised the Lord for one minute by the clock? five minutes, one hour, two hours? If not,

try it. If you are in doubt as to your salvation, try His way, even the "gates of praise." Praise Him! Praise Him, for He is worthy of praise. If ye have received the Holy Ghost you will realize what is meant by real praise. The Comforter comes in on wings of praise. Then from our innermost being, even as He said, shall flow rivers of living water, rivers of praise.

"Let us serve the Lord with gladness,

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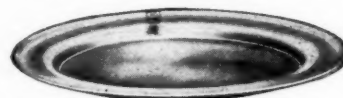
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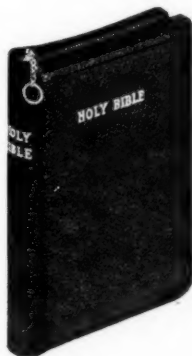
Answer: While Jesus was on earth He taught His disciples to pray, and in the form which He gave them, Matt. 6: 9, He said, "After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven," etc. By this we understand that it is perfectly in order then to address our communication to the Father.

In John 16:23, as in many other places, Jesus referred to asking of the Father in His name, which makes it perfectly in line that we pray to the Father in the name of His Son. But there is a fact disclosed in the words of Jesus to the woman of Samaria, which shows that He did not object to people asking of Him. St. John 4:10, "Jesus answered and said unto her, If thou knewest the gift of God, and who it is that saith to me, Give me to drink; thou wouldest ask of him, and he would have given thee living water." Then again in the 10th chapter of St. John Jesus refers to Himself as the door to the sheepfold and as the shepherd of the sheep, thus He places Himself as a mediator between God and man. In this capacity we may come to Him and He makes intercessions to the Father for us. Since He is our advocate, the One who stands between, there can certainly be nothing wrong in our asking largely of Him. Invocations and benedictions may be given so as to express the care of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, but the last benediction of the Bible, Rev. 22:21, is, "The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, be with you all. Amen."

Question: Please explain the 16th verse of the 11th chapter of 1 Corinthians fully.—Mrs. L. M.

Answer: The 16th verse cannot be understood without knowing the subject of the chapter. In the beginning of this chapter Paul is explaining to the church at Corinth the necessity of keeping certain ordinances which he had delivered unto them. These ordinances governed certain customs relative to the way men and women should wear their hair. The teaching is plain and simple. In verse 4 Paul says, "Every man praying or prophesying, having his head covered dishonoreth his head," signifying that man should not wear long hair; but in verse 4, that every woman that prayed or prophesied with her head uncovered dishonored her head. This covering does not have reference to a prayer veil as some religious orders teach, for verse 15 says, "But if a woman have long hair, it is a glory to her: for her hair is given her for a covering." After such instructions

had been given by the Apostle Paul, then in verse 16 he says, "But if any man seem to be contentious, we have no such custom, neither the churches of God." Weymouth's Translation says, "But if any one is inclined to be contentious on the point, we have no such custom, nor have the churches of God." In other words, man's contentions or ideas do not change the customs as they were laid down by the Apostle Paul.



THE DIARY OF A BIBLE Was It Yours?

MRS. MYRTLE FRIX

January 5

Been resting quietly for a week. The first few nights after the first of the year my owner read me regularly but he has forgotten me, I guess.

February 2

Cleaned up. I was dusted with the other things and put back in my place.

February 8

My owner used me for a short time after dinner, looking up some references. Went to Sunday school.

March 7

Cleaned up. Dusted and put back in my old place again. Have been down in the lower hall since my trip to Sunday school.

April 2

Busy day. Owner led Y. P. E. meeting, had to look up references. He had an awful time finding them though they were right there in their place all the time.

May 5

In Grandma's lap all the afternoon. She is here on a visit. She let a teardrop fall on Col. 2:5-7.

May 10

Grandma's gone. Back in my old place. She kissed me good-bye.

June 3

Had a couple of four-leaf clovers placed inside my pages.

July 1

Packed in a trunk with clothes and other things. Off on a vacation, I guess.

July 7

Still in the trunk.

July 10

Still in the trunk, though nearly everything has been taken out.

July 15

Home again in my old place. Quite a journey, though, and do not see why I went.

August 1

Rather stuffy and hot. Have two magazines, a novel, and an old hat on top of me. Wish they would take them off.

September 5

Cleaned up. Dusted and put right back again.

September 10

Used by Mary a few moments today. She was writing a letter to a friend whose brother had died and wanted an appropriate verse.

December 1

Owner has finally taken me out again. Wants to get some help for a Christmas program. I enjoy this but feel bad when I think of another year out of service. I would like to change owners so I could be of service.

My Sermonette

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Make a joyful noise.

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

Blessed are the people who know the heavenly joy.

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

He is waiting to give the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness. Why should we have a spirit of heaviness, we who have the most wonderful possession in the world? Do you have it, friend, even salvation?

"Blessed be the name of Jesus,

I'm so glad He took me in,

He's forgiven my transgressions;

He has cleansed my heart from sin.

I will praise Him,

I will praise Him,

Praise the Lamb for sinners slain.

Give Him glory, all ye people,

For His blood can wash away each stain."

—Mrs. M. J. Harris.

General Overseer Makes Trip to Washington, D. C.

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brought about by international complications, the Secretary took time off for audience and kind consideration of the Haitian problem with which we are confronted. Full particulars of this interview will be given by the General Overseer in next week's issue of the Evangel.

The man who is big enough to keep little is little enough to grow big.

TESTIMONIES

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worship God in our little home. Thank God, I will live for Him anywhere I may be. I am looking for that home He has promised where we will not be in need for anything. Glory to God.

There is not much work here a woman can do and I can't buy clothing as prices have been raised on cloth and I have six girls and one boy. My oldest girl is fourteen, the others are twelve, ten, nine, seven, four, and two years and eleven months. The Lord has blessed us with a good garden and a very good crop of corn this year. We have worked hard in our crop. While we were working we were praying to God to help us prosper. Thank God, He is with us. I can feel the presence of the Holy Spirit now.

Brother, sisters and pastors, remember me and my seven orphan children who are badly in need of prayer.—Your sister, Mrs. Malida Nolen.

Enjoys the Evangel

TONKAWA, Okla.—Dear Evangel Readers, I have been wanting to write a note of praise for sometime, ever since I received my Evangel three months ago. I think it is the most inspiring paper that could ever be published to saint as well as sinner. It thrills the innermost being of my very soul with great joy and gladness as I read the good reports and labor for our Master Jesus Christ.

I am glad Jesus saved, sanctified and filled me with the blessed Holy Ghost. I have been a member of the Church of God nearly five years and Jesus grows dearer and sweeter to me every hour of my life.

I have three small children. They love the Lord. The oldest who is thirteen years old received the baptism of the Holy Ghost about three weeks ago. Praise Him! I truly desire to rear them in the house of God and live a true life and let my light shine out to others that they may see there is a reality in serving God.

We do not have a Church of God in this town. The closest one is at Perry, Okla. I have been there several times and the glory of God comes down in a wonderful way. Our Brother Dodson who is pastor there is a wonderful man of God.

I also wish to say that I enjoyed reading Sister Alice White's testimony from Phoenix, Ariz. She and I were sisters in the Lord together in the same church at Anadarko, Okla., three years ago. Though we as children of God scatter throughout the land, I am glad to know some day soon the great King of kings and Lord of lords is coming to gather together His remnant there to be with Him forever in heaven before the throne of God. The redeemed are going to sing a song of deliverance that even the an-

gels cannot sing. Glory! Sorrow, sickness, hardships and persecutions may come and go but it will be worth it all if we are faithful unto death. May God bless our gospel publishing house for His great service.—Mrs. Deulen Ayres, 410 N. Main St., Box 184.

McCORMICK, S. C.—I am glad that I know I am a child of the King. He is all in all to me. I praise Him for the Comforter that abides in my soul. I don't see how I could live in this world without Jesus. If I didn't have Jesus to go to in my trials I would be so lonely here.

I praise the Lord for being with me during my illness. He said He would never leave nor forsake us. I know He has power over all.

I thank all the dear saints of God who prayed for me. Pray that I may grow stronger and be more on fire for the Lord.—Mrs. J. B. Young.

REPORTS

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eral in the altar. One was saved and others weeping and crying for help. We are looking for greater results because it seems that souls are hungry for Jesus. I am glad because they are hungry, because He said, Ye that hunger and thirst shall be filled. Praise God for victory right now.

I am so glad I ever learned to trust Him for both soul and body. He has been our healer for thirteen years and He is just the same today as He was the day I learned of Him. He always comes to our rescue.

I have seven children, some of them

need to be saved. Pray much for them. My husband is saved and sanctified, but oh, how he wants the Holy Ghost which he needs. Pray for us. Pray that I will always stay humble before God, that He can use me for His glory. I feel the need of Jesus more every day. I just want to be a humble servant for the Lord.—Daisy Mack.

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A Personal Investigation of Blasphemy

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father, readings by the manager from followers at distant points who had written about the blessings attending the followers of the peace mission. The blasphemy sacrilege was very repulsive and I pled the efficacious blood of my Redeemer time and again. One of the songs was entitled, "We Have a Right to Eat the Body of God," and there was much hilarity during this song.

We were approached by the manager and invited to speak, but refrained. Seated near us were a young lawyer and his wife, who were there for their first time, and at the beginning they were skeptical of it all, but it seemed as they ate of the banquet they were affected as by an evil spirit of deception for when he was invited to speak he gave a fervent approval of all, and eulogized Father Divine. There was also another lawyer and a doctor of medicine among others who spoke in glowing terms of their favorable impression. So overcome was the doctor that tears filled his eyes as he expressed his deep appreciation of the honor he had to be at the banquet. We could stand such a rebuff to our faith in the eternal God, His Son Jesus and the blessed Spirit that dwelt within us, no longer, so we left, realizing that we had seen an evil thing wrought and that about five million reputed followers are possessed by a fiendish spirit of error.

Upon reflection of it all, I have a clearer understanding of the burden borne and expressed by the Apostle Paul when he prophesied concerning the last days and warned of seducers, deceivers, and all manner of evil workings of Satan. Jesus also told us of false christs and deceivers. These things are alarming in America. Let us do what we can to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ in these days when men are drowning in perdition. I am sure that we have within our reach, yea, even with our hearts, a reality that will attract the lost to Him, the real giver of life and peace. Should Jesus tarry a few more years, this blasphemer and his system will fail for he will die and his followers, who now affirm his infallibility and immortality, will have no prop to lean on, but we are depending on the Christ who died and rose again to lead us out of this distraught world into a land of eternal glory. Our heaven will not be one of brick, concrete or wood, but it will be as described by the revelator on the isle of Patmos, so I say with Moses, "Their rock is not as our Rock." We will not walk on boards and concrete, but on streets of gold. The horrors of Harlem will not affect the society of the pearly white city of God.

This expose of our investigation is far

from covering the minute details, but is written for the purpose of stirring the reader to a closer walk with God in the light of these conditions of idolatry in America. I must add that a person who is not well fortified against evil powers should not subject himself to this powerful and persuasive wile of Satan.

Editorially Speaking

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"I was happy to receive your letter announcing the increase in our aged ministers allotment. I assure you it will be used as the need requires in the fear of the Lord."—*Flora Trim Rich*.

"Many thanks and the Lord bless you is my prayer. I surely appreciate this needed raise."—*S. W. Kerce*.

These tokens of appreciation show the responsive feeling on the part of a veteran ministry.

REQUESTS

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Me to be healed of something like low

blood; my brothers and sisters.—*Mrs. Clyde Atkins, Shooting Creek, N. C.*

—R—

My sister who is sick with an internal cancer to be healed; the healing of a woman whose eyes have been sore about twenty years; her home and children; my sick relatives to be saved and healed; God to undertake for a certain man in town.—*Nadyne Clouse, Marked Tree, Ark.*

—R—

My husband and me to be healed of rheumatism; my body, head and eyes to be healed.—*Mrs. J. P. Powell, Rt. 1, Lumber City, Ga.*

—R—

Me to be healed of a fall which injured my body.—*Mrs. W. H. Powell, Rt. 1, Lumber City, Ga.*

—R—

The Lord to heal me of a cancer on my face and bless my soul and give me ease, I suffer all the time; a friend to be healed of a bad sore leg.—*Navie Hagin, Rt. 1, Lumber City, Ga.*

THE CHURCH OF GOD SUNDAY SCHOOL AT WEST FLINT, MICH.



This picture was taken September 14. Brother Turner, our former pastor, and Brother Messer, our present pastor, are standing with Sister Turner and Sister Messer in front of the doors of the church. Brother Messer is directly in the middle of the two doors and Brother Turner is at the right edge of the doors.

Brother Turner has faithfully labored here for eight years, coming to Flint when there were only sixteen members. After eight years there are now one hundred and sixty-seven members, besides a number disfellowshipped and a large number transferred to two new churches in Flint which have been established in the last few years. Brother Turner has done a wonderful work here and is dearly loved by the church. Brother Messer is already winning the love and respect of the church and we are expecting a continuation of the blessings of the Lord upon our church. Pray for us at Flint, Michigan.—*James F. Dalton, 1838 Barks St., Flint, Michigan.*

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John 3:16

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that he gave his only begot-
ten Son, that whosoever be-
lieveth on him should not
perish, but have everlasting
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Testimonies

RALEIGH, N. C.—I am still on my precious Savior's side, saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost.

The Sunday school and Y. P. E. are doing nicely. It is indeed a pleasure to do our little bit for the service of God. We truly love the Church of God. We enjoy living its teaching. The Lord sent us a wonderful shower of His blessing Tuesday night. It was food to our souls. We want to get in a good old time, soul-stirring revival, for the harvest is truly great and laborers are few. Pray for us at Ral-

eigh.—Mrs. W. F. Manor, 109 Firwood Ave.

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COVINGTON, La.—I am glad of the privilege of writing to the Evangel and friends all over the world. I thank God for the privilege of getting to attend the General Assembly. I have a greater desire to do something than ever before. I realize the great need of more good workers in the Church of God. I have a greater mission zeal than ever before. We ought to all, as Church of God people, work harder this year than ever before to put

the program over. Some day if we live like God wants us to we will go to a place where there won't be any mission program to worry about. I praise God for two of the smallest churches in the state of Louisiana, small in number but large in spirit. They are some of as good people as I have met. They love the Lord and want to do something to help win lost souls. Pray for us at New Hope and Lees Shed, that by the next Assembly they will be among the best. We are expecting a good year if it is the Lord's will.—Louis Glass, pastor, 1215 26th Ave.